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## THE PRESS AN ALLY OF PEACE.

MADAME DE STAEL lived and died in the belief that revolutions are effected, and the civilized world governed, by a succession of clever pamphlets. Such pamphlets are ably conducted newspapers; and three newspapers in France are said to have effected the Revolution of July, 1830.

Here is encouragement for the cause of peace. An able, judicious editor seldom fails of bringing his constant readers into sympathy with himself; and, should the conductors of all the fifty religious newspapers in our country imbibe the pacific spirit and principles of the gospel, how surely, speedily, and easily, would they leaven the whole religious community. Most of them are now friendly to our cause; and there is much reason to expect they will all, at no very distant period, take hold of this great evangelical subject, as they did of the temperance reform, and thus hasten it onward to certain and glorious triumphs.

Still more hope is there from the wide prevalence of our language: "The English language is now spoken by a population amounting to 44,442,000, viz., in Europe, 26,700,000; in Africa, 240,000; in Australasia, 100,000; in the United States, 15,000,000; British America, 1,350,000; in West Indies, 840,000; in South America, 112,000; Newfoundland, 80,000; Texas, 20,000. And it is spoken partially in Europe, Hindostan, &c., and the allied provinces, by 150,000. The inhabitants who thus talk, are spread over an extent of territory amounting to 9,415,393 square miles, 2,257,300 of which form the little plat of the United States."

This diffusion of our language through the four quarters of the globe, gives the friends of peace peculiar facilities for disseminating their principles, and leavening the entire mass of human minds. The Solemn Review, Worcester's first effort in the cause of peace, has already visited every continent, and not a few isles of the ocean; and through English and American missionaries, we can now gain access for our views more or less to nearly every considerable nation and tribe on earth.

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I abominate war as unchristian. I hold it the greatest of human crimes. I deem it to include all others—violence, blood, rapine, fraud, every thing which can deform the character, alter the nature, and debase the name of man.—LORD BROUGHAM.